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SUBJECT: LOWER HOUSE CANDIDATES IN QUANG TIN

REFS: DANANG #156 AND #157

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1. OF ORIGINAL 11 CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR QUANG TIN'S TWO SEATS 7 REMAIN AFTER SECOND POSTING. CANDIDATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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(1) NGUYEN MAU = VNQDD "NEW FACTION," POSSIBLY "VNK"

(2) NGUYEN VAN LUAN = PROVINCE COUNCILLOR AND VNQDD (POSSIBLY KY BO

(3) VO NGOC TRAC = CG DEPUTY AND KY BO VNQDD PROVINCE COUNCILLOR

(4) NGUYEN MINH DAO = PROVINCE COUNCILLOR, CAO DAI, AND VNQDD

(5) PHAN THONG = VNQDD "NEW FACTION," POSSIBLY "VNK"

(6) TRAN CONG HOI = VICE CHAIRMAN PROVINCE COUNCIL, CATHOLIC

(7) LY BA LOAN = VNQDD FROM SAIGON

2. OMITTED ARE:

A. LUONG DINH NUOI = ARVN OFFICER ELIMINATED BECAUSE OF FAILURE TO GET MILITARY PERMISSION TO RUN.

B. VU DAN SON = WITHDREW CANDIDACY

C. NGUYEN KIEU = WITHDREW CANDIDACY

D. LE KHAN = WITHDREW CANDIDACY

3. ALIGNMENT OF CANDIDATES IN QUANG TIN DIFFICULT TO EVALUATE AS VNQDD IN PROVINCE IS CURRENTLY UNDERGOING SERIOUS DIVISIONS. APPARENTLY THONG AND MAU ARE LINED UP ON SIDE OF VNK FACTION AND RECENTLY HAVE TAKEN PART IN MEETINGS TO CONDEMN RESULTS OF SEPT 3 ELECTION. KY BO FACTION STILL APPEARS TO BE DOMINANT IN PROVINCE, HOWEVER, AS DEMONSTRATED BY VOTE FOR THREE "COCONUT TREE" SENATE LISTS WHICH KY BO SUPPORTED. TRAC AND LUAN, WHO POLLED GREATEST NUMBER OF VOTES IN 1965 PROVINCE COUNCIL ELECTIONS APPEAR TO HAVE BEST CHANCE FOR KY BO VOTE AND POSSIBLY FOR ELECTION.

4. WITH 6 OF 7 CANDIDATES FOR 2 SEATS HAVING VNQDD AFFILIATIONS, HOWEVER, PARTY VOTE WILL BE SPLIT. THIS WILL ALLOW TWO DARK HORSE CANDIDATES DAO AND HOI TO MAKE STRONG SIDE. DAO WILL RECEIVE SUPPORT FROM CAO DAI COMMUNITY IN QUANG TIN AND HOI

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TO CATHOLICS. DAO WHO IS ALSO A VNQDD MEMBER CAN EXPECT SOME SUPPORT FROM PARTY ALSO.
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